

Local Items.

—Phone 182.
—Egg on the hen.
—Subscription \$1.50.
—Use Red Cross Seals.
—Picture program page 2.
—Get your stockings ready.
—Old E. Nogg is but a fragrant memory.
—P.S. printed every Thursday afternoon.
—Unfortunate is he who is too stuck up to buy a war thrift stamp.
—Be sure to have the spirit of the Christmas season, but let the 'spirits' alone.
—Dr. L. D. McPhail Saturday sold his farm of 36 acres in Wolf Pitt township to John C. Dockery.
—A most acceptable Christmas gift to friend or relative is a year's subscription to the Post-Dispatch. Try it.
—The Rockingham Schools adjourned for the holidays last Friday, and will resume work Monday, Dec. 31st.
—Mighty little chance for "rye" faces this holiday. In fact, liquid refreshments are not 'absorbing' topics now.
—Ex-Governor Malcolm R. Patterson, of Tennessee, will deliver an address on "National Prohibition" at the school auditorium here Wednesday night, January 23rd.
—In furthering the conservation idea, folks are told to eat fish to save bacon, but eating fish instead of meat is like unto eating cakes to keep from eating bread.
—Why not give the Post-Dispatch as a Christmas gift to some distant friend or relative? It costs only \$1.50 and will be a welcome reminder of the giver for 52 weeks.
—There were 9348 bales of cotton ginned in Richmond county prior to Dec. 1st, as compared with 8120 bales to same date last year, as reported by G. G. Terry, county enumerator.
—A civil service examination will be held here January 26th to fill the vacancy as postmaster at Roberdell, caused by the resignation of Mrs. Clayton Gibson, nee Miss Lillian Culberson.
—The big musical comedy success, "The Beauty Shop," will play two nights at the Hamlet Opera House, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 21st and 22nd, instead of one night as originally booked. Announcement appears elsewhere in this issue.
—The Red Cross entertainment, "Ye Old Time Evening," that was to have been presented by local talent last Friday night, was postponed and will be presented at the school auditorium Friday night, January 4th—hot or cold, rain or shine.
—Tomorrow, Dec. 21st, is the shortest day in the year. The days will then gradually lengthen until March 21st (vernal equinox) when days and nights will be of equal length. June 22nd is the longest day, and from then until Sept. 22nd (autumnal equinox) the days will shorten until the nights are again of equal length.
—As a result of the Navy recruiting party here Monday and Tuesday, three men have signed up for the Navy. Chas. F. Baucum, of Ellerbe, Rt., left Monday night for Raleigh to join the radio branch of the Navy, and Ben Stubbs and Corbett Hinson, of Rockingham, went Tuesday night. These latter two men were granted furloughs until Jan. 2nd, when they will be sent for electrical study at Brooklyn.
—Look at the printed label on the front page of your paper, and if behind, please get square before the New Year. If you were taking both the Post and the Dispatch, then the upper line on the label will show you how your Dispatch subscription stands, and the lower line that of the Post. If you owe on either, such arrears is due the Post-Dispatch.

—J. A. McAuley, Clerk of Court, has just received the appointment as Explosives Licensing Agent for Richmond County. Every firm, company or individual selling or buying explosives must secure a license from him before such can be used.
—Prof. L. J. Bell has just been appointed by the Governor as a member of the Educational Commission authorized by the last legislature. There are five members, and his appointment is an honor to the county, and a merited recognition for himself.
—Brooks Hall, the second largest building at the State Sanatorium, Montrose, Moore county, was burned about 3 o'clock Sunday morning. The thirty patients escaped, with most of their effects. About \$1200 worth of canned fruits and vegetables were lost. These thirty patients have been sent to their homes until new room can be made for them.
—Mrs. Ben F. Palmer surprised her husband with a luncheon Tuesday, to which were the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Benton, Mr. T. M. Hunter, Mr. Clay Covington and Mrs. T. L. Covington. The birthday cake had the proper number of candles thereon. (We are omitting the number, as the fighting editor is not in today.)
—Fire was discovered in the picker room of Steele's Mill last Friday afternoon, under the floor, but it was quickly extinguished when the floor was flooded. The operations of the mill were delayed only half a day, and excepting a new floor the financial loss is small. The picker room is now being operated day and night, until the floor is repaired and the full picker room machinery put in operation.
—In a communication received by the Post-Dispatch this morning, Collector of Internal Revenue J. W. Bailey announces that a federal income tax officer will be sent into Richmond county on January 2nd and will remain until the 12th. He will have his office at the postoffice at Rockingham and will be there every day to help persons subject to the income make out their returns without any cost to them for his services.
—Mr. H. S. Ledbetter, Jr., who represents the McColl mills in Philadelphia, is at home for the holidays.
—Misses Mary Entwistle and Helen Long will arrive Friday from Winston-Salem, where they are Seniors at Salem College this year.
—Messrs. Tyler Bennett and George Entwistle will arrive on Friday from Atlanta, where they are students at the Georgia Military Academy.
—Messrs. Linwood and Harry Fowlkes and Billie McAulay will arrive Friday from Asheville, where they have been attending school at Bingham Military school.
—Miss Mary Cliff Bennett, who holds the responsible position of City Food Demonstrator in Wilmington, will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bennett.
—Mr. Ellis Thomas, Jr., who is attending the Law School at the University of North Carolina, will arrive the latter part of the week to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thomas.
—Miss Ida May Matthews, teacher of the Harrington school, was called by wire to her home in South Carolina Tuesday to the bedside of her father, who suffered a stroke of paralysis.
—Miss Elizabeth Cole, who is attending school at Converse College, arrived home Tuesday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cole. Miss Emma Grey Ledbetter, who is also a student at Converse, will arrive Friday night.
—Charlie Goodwin, white, and Eb. Ingram, colored, were bound over under \$100 bond each to next term of federal court (convenes Jan. 7th) Wednesday by Commissioner H. L. Guthrie on the charge of distilling. The bond was given by W. P. Ingram.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Young, Dec. 16, a daughter Ellen Grace.
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dawkins, the 10th, a girl.
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Hogan, the 10th, a girl, Edna Belle.

Personal Items.

Miss Esdale Shaw went to Charlotte this morning; she will return Saturday.
Miss Annie Graver, of Statesville, came last night to visit Miss Bessie Terry.
Herbert Smith left last week to join the aviation branch of the Navy at Pensacola, Fla.
Miss Lea Aycock will arrive Friday to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. E. G. Scott.
Mrs. J. LeGrand Everett returned Monday from a six weeks' stay at Salisbury.
Miss Jennie Cameron, teacher at Pee Dee No. 1, left Friday for her home at Cameron for the holidays.
Miss Catherine Fairley will return tomorrow from Durham, where she teaches in the city schools.
Mrs. E. G. Payne and daughter, Mary Wriston, went to Charlotte Thursday of last week to spend the holidays.
Mr. Isaac McCrory, of Atlanta, will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. John L. Armistead.
Grace McPhail, the 7 1/2 year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. D. McPhail, is convalescent following an illness from pneumonia.
Miss Marguerite Paschal returned Friday from Columbia, S. C. where she has been visiting friends and relatives for six weeks.
Misses Mamie and Ann Steele returned on Monday from Baltimore, where they have been spending several weeks with friends.
J. P. Leak, Jr., and J. LeGrand Everett, Jr., will return tomorrow from Woodberry Forest School, in Virginia, for the mistletoe period.
Messrs. James Garrett and William Steele are at home for the holidays from Greenwood, S. C., where they are at School at Bailey Military Institute.
Miss Jessie Steele returned home Monday night from Wilmington. She has resigned her position as House Secretary of the Wilmington Y. W. C. A.
Miss Todd Armistead is at home for the holidays. The School at Hoffman, where she is teaching this winter, has closed on account of the shortage of coal.
Saturday morning at 9:30 Miss Vermeille Lide became the bride of Mr. D. D. Fletcher, of McColl, S. C. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mr. W. J. Hill by Rev. G. V. Tilley.
Returning from the University tomorrow for the holidays are: Messrs. Jerome Pence, Houston Everett, Arthur McIntosh, John and Harvey Terry and John Stansill, and W. C. Leak, Jr.
Rev. Thos. L. Trott will hold his last service at Monroe Sunday, and at Rockingham Christmas Day, the latter at 10:30 and attended with the Holy Communion. He will take up his new work at High Point Jan. 1st.
Miss Octavia Scales accompanied Miss Bernice Turner as far as Charlotte on Monday where they spent the day shopping, Miss Turner going to her home in Statesville for the holidays and Miss Scales returning home Monday night.
The teachers of the City Schools left last Saturday for the following places to spend the holidays: Misses Bessie Dunlap, Ansonville; Kate Finley, Charlotte; Sallie and Tempe Boddy, Durham; Flora Cooper, Greensboro; Mary Eaves, Bamburg, S. C.; Norma Burwell, Oxford; Ollie Dobson, Gaffney, S. C.; Louise Gill, Laurinburg; Bernice Turner, Statesville; Mattie McKinney, Reidsville. Miss Lucille Elliott will leave tomorrow for Greensboro.

We wish for you very many
happy returns for the
Holidays.



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Cuff links 75c to	\$15.00
Gold scarf pins \$1.00 to	\$25.00
Bar pins, gold \$2.00 to	\$30.00
Gold pocket knives \$3.50 to	\$ 5.00
Filled knives \$1.25 to	\$ 3.50
Lavallieres \$3.00 to	\$50.00
Fountain pens \$1.25 to	\$ 9.00
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